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House Resolution 262

By: Representatives Murphy of the 120th, Howard of the 121st, and Frazier of the 123rd

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Reverend Dr. Nathaniel Irvin, Sr., on the occasion of his 50th
- 2 pastoral anniversary; and for other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, Reverend Dr. Nathaniel Irvin, Sr., has devoted 50 years to preaching the Word
- 4 of God and leading his community; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Reverend Irvin graduated from the Haines Institute and began his education at
- 6 South Carolina State College, leaving to enter the United States Army in 1950; and
- 7 WHEREAS, after serving as a guardian of the nation's liberty and freedom, Reverend Irvin
- 8 returned to South Carolina State College, where he earned a bachelor's degree in social
- 9 studies and a master's degree in education; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Reverend Irvin received his call to the ministry in 1956 and served with faith
- and devotion as pastor of Greater Mt. Canaan Missionary Baptist Church for over 20 years
- and has currently served as pastor of Old Storm Branch Baptist Church for nearly 30 years;
- 13 and
- 14 WHEREAS, during his leadership of Old Storm, the church has seen many great
- accomplishments, including the creation of a youth department, a family life center, and a
- 16 new child development center; and
- 17 WHEREAS, active in his community as well as his faith, Reverend Irvin has been involved
- 18 in such organizations as the Storm Branch Missionary Baptist Association, the Augusta
- 19 Baptist Minister Conference, the Martin Luther King Survival Coalition, University Hospital,
- and Morris College Board of Trustees; and

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21 WHEREAS, Reverend Irvin is united in love and marriage to Eugenia Irvin, and the couple

- 22 has been blessed with three remarkable and loving children, Nathaniel Irvin II, Thomas, and
- 23 Cheryl, and three delightful grandchildren, Nathaniel Irvin III, Jovian, and Roman; and
- 24 WHEREAS, Reverend Irvin's many achievements will stand as symbols of dignity, pride,
- and honor for his congregation and the citizens of this state for generations to come.
- 26 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 27 Dr. Nathaniel Irvin, Sr., is hereby congratulated on the wonderful occasion of his 50th
- 28 pastoral anniversary and commended for the leadership and guidance he has provided the
- 29 members of his church and the surrounding community.
- 30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 31 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Dr. Nathaniel Irvin, Sr.